

MINUTES
MANSFIELD INLAND WETLANDS AGENCY
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, August 2, 2010
Council Chambers, Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Members present: R. Favretti (Chairman), M. Beal, J. Goodwin, R. Hall, K. Holt, G. Lewis, P. Plante, B. Ryan,
Members absent: B. Pociask
Alternates present: F. Loxsom (7:03), K. Rawn, V. Stearns
Staff present: G. Meitzler (Wetlands Agent)

Chairman Favretti called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and appointed alternate Stearns to act in Pociask's absence.

Minutes:

7-6-10 – Plante MOVED, Ryan seconded, to approve the 7-6-10 minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with all in favor except Lewis and Stearns who disqualified themselves. Goodwin and Hall noted that they listened to the recording.

7-13-10 Field Trip- Beal MOVED, Holt seconded, to approve the 7-13-10 field trip minutes as written. MOTION PASSED with Beal, Holt, Favretti, Plante and Rawn in favor and all others disqualified.

Communications:

The 7-21-10 draft Conservation Commission minutes and the 7-29-10 Wetlands Agent's Monthly Business report were noted. Particular attention was called to the Conservation Commission's comments on the Baker application, File W1459.

Old Business:

W1459 - Baker - 109 Thornbush Rd - flood proofing

Holt MOVED, Plante seconded, to grant an Inland Wetlands License of the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to Stephen Baker (file # W1459) a front porch addition and stairway into an existing home to be elevated above the flood zone, on property owned by the applicant, located at 109 Thornbush Road, as shown on a map dated 7/6/10 and as described in other application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated significant impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned upon the following provisions being met:

1. Appropriate erosion and sedimentation controls shall be in place prior to construction and maintained during construction and removed when disturbed areas are completely stabilized;
2. All excavated material shall be placed either in the present yard or in the basement fill area. It is not to be placed in the nearby wetland.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until 8/2/2015), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this agency for further review and comment.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Business:

Agent Approval: W1460 - Lambert - 1461 Stafford Rd - 12x16 garden shed 80' from wetland

Wetlands Agent Meitzler noted that he has approved this request as an "Agent Approval", and the decision was noticed in the Chronicle and paid for by the applicant as per our newly-revised regulations.

Modification Request: W1441 - Kleinfelder - 7 Storrs Rd - groundwater remediation

Meitzler noted that this is a modification request to their permit approval from 11/2/09. Eric Henry, from Kleinfelder Exxon Mobile, was present to answer any questions on behalf of his client.

Members questioned Henry as to what contaminants are being sought to remedy, what is their backup plan if this doesn't work, is excavating material a possibility, what effects does this remediation have on the Park Spring, and how far east does this contamination spread? After discussion, it was decided that the Agency would like a copy of the pilot study results that will be sent to the Connecticut DEP.

Holt MOVED, Hall seconded, To approve modifications to an Inland Wetlands License pursuant to the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield to John Liddon of Kleinfelder (file # W1441) for modifications to approval of permit W1441 previously issued to John Liddon of Kleinfelder for investigation of wetlands surface water and sediment sampling, on property owned by Eugene S. Mittelman, located at 7 Storrs Road, as shown on a map dated 12/14/09 and as described in other application submissions.

This action is based on a finding of no anticipated significant impact on the wetlands, and is conditioned upon the following provisions being met:

1. The conditions of the previous approval are to remain in effect;
2. A report of the pilot study, as sent to the CT DEP, shall also be sent to the Mansfield IWA in a timely fashion.

This approval is valid for a period of five years (until 4/3/2016), unless additional time is requested by the applicant and granted by the Inland Wetlands Agency. The applicant shall notify the Wetlands Agent before any work begins, and all work shall be completed within one year. Any extension of the activity period shall come before this agency for further review and comment.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

New Application: W1461 - Elshakhs - 23 Bundy La - above ground pool in buffer

Goodwin MOVED, Holt seconded, to receive the application submitted by Hisham Elshakhs (IWA file W1461) under the Wetlands and Watercourses Regulations of the Town of Mansfield, for the installation of a 21 foot above ground pool, located at 23 Bundy Lane, on property owned by the applicant, as shown on a map dated 7/12/10 and as described in other application submissions, and to refer the application to the staff and Conservation Commission for review and comment. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Reports of Officers and Committees:

Chairman Favretti set an 8/9/10 Field Trip at 1 p.m.

Other Communications and Bills:

Noted.

Adjournment:

Favretti declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Holt, Secretary